

EAST BAY LABOR JOURNAL

THE ONLY OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER OF ORGANIZED LABOR IN ALAMEDA COUNTY

Owned, Controlled and Published by Central Labor Council of Alameda County—AFLCIO and Building and Construction Trades Council of Alameda County—AFLCIO

VOLUME XXXVI, NUMBER 1

OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 1961

SINGLE COPIES FIVE CENTS

from the EDITOR'S CHAIR

BLIND (?) JUSTICE

Assemblyman George E. Brown Jr. has come up with a list which seems to prove that the death penalty is most often used on the underprivileged and the under-educated.

Brown, a Los Angeles Democrat, obtained a list of the last 25 persons executed in California from the State Department of Corrections, as follows:

David J. Hardenbrook, general helper; Foster S. Dement, farm laborer; Henry O. Simpson, crane operator; Donald K. Bashor, laborer; James Reese, unskilled laborer; Eugene Burwell, clerk and construction worker; James A. Rogers, unskilled laborer; John Calvin Tipton, laborer; Bart Luis Carritative, house boy; William Francis Rupp, semi-skilled and farm laborer; James Lewis Feldkamp, managed bowling alley; Richard Gerald Riser, baker's helper; Vender Lee Duncan, agriculture and general laborer; Cecil Herman Ward, truck driver and laborer and semi-skilled assembler; Stephen A. Nash, odd jobs; Harvey Murray Glatman, TV technician; Jimmie Lee Jones, unskilled laborer; Phillip Henry Hamilton, porter, bus boy and kitchen helper; Laurence Leroy Wade, musician; Caryl H. Chessman, institutional clerk; James Eugene Hooton, unskilled worker; Richard Thomas Cooper, laborer and chauffeur; Robert S. Harmon, unskilled laborer; George Albert Scott, welder; Raymond L. Cartier, semi-skilled laborer.

Brown, co-author of bills to end or put a four-year moratorium on the death penalty, also cites a charge by bishops of the Episcopal Church that members of minority groups are more likely to receive the death penalty.

Enough said?

OTHER SIDE OF CRIME

Another San Francisco police delegation has gotten a verbal lashing from Chief Thomas Cahill for fraternizing with union people.

A witty friend has remarked that conditions must be really bad in the SFPD for the cops to keep incurring the wrath of Mayor George Christopher, Chief Cahill and other worthies.

Especially as some of the cops have reportedly been flirting with Jimmy Hoffa, whom our friend describes as among the least likely prospects for representing law upholders.

NOTE OF SANITY

With all the fuss about the John Birch right-wingers, Eason Monroe of the ACLU of Southern California points out that only a "clear and present danger" justifies restraints upon speech or assembly.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

Unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 5 of this issue of the Journal.

Big labor vote urged in Berkeley Tuesday

COPE backs Houlihan in Oakland race

AFLCIO unions in Oakland began an active campaign this week to elect John C. Houlihan as mayor.

Houlihan, an attorney and currently a member of the City Council, heads the list of candidates in the April 18 Oakland municipal election endorsed by the Alameda County AFLCIO Council on Political Education (COPE) last week.

Complete list of Oakland endorsements is as follows:

Mayor — John C. Houlihan.
City Council, District No. 2 — Eugene R. Wolfe.
City Council, District No. 4 — Robert Osborne.
City Council, District No. 6 — No endorsement.

Board of Education, Office No. 1 — Dr. Robert L. Nolan.

Board of Education, Office No. 2 — No endorsement.

Board of Education, Office No. 3 — No endorsement.

Board of Education, Office No. 4 — Warren W. Wildman.

City Auditor-Controller — Martin Huff.

CANDIDATES' BACKGROUND

Houlihan was appointed to the City Council in January, 1959, to replace John W. Holmdahl, who was elected to the state senate. Houlihan was elected to a full term in April, 1959.

Houlihan's long record of public service in Oakland includes seven years on the City Planning Commission, from 1950 to 1957. He was chairman in 1952-53.

Wolfe has been executive director of the Social Service Bureau of the Oakland Council of Churches since 1956. Before that, he was in charge of social work for a Hartford, Conn., church and minister and co-founder of a church in New Haven, Conn.

Osborne, a member of the City Council for the last four years, is owner of a San Leandro manufacturing company and part owner of the Oakland Raiders football club.

Dr. Nolan, assistant chief of pediatrics at Kaiser Hospital, Oakland, is a retired member of the National Maritime Union and special consultant to the State Department of Public Health on migratory workers.

Wildman, a registered public health sanitarian and urban renewal representative for the City of Oakland, is a member of Technical Engineers 39 and Butchers 120. He is a former

MORE on page 7

'Next AWOC target is cherry contracts'

The AFLCIO Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee will fight for contracts with California cherry growers starting about the first week in May.

W. G. Seratt, AWOC representative, told the Central Labor Council Monday night that the union feels it is strong enough to seek union agreements in cherry orchards.

In row crops, however, contracts will have to wait until more progress is made with growers. Higher wages for row crops and contracts in orchard crops are AWOC's goals for 1961, Seratt said.

\$11 MILLION

Last year, Seratt said, AWOC raised farm workers' wages \$11,000,000 in the San Joaquin Valley.

Referring to cancellation of AWOC strikes in the Imperial Valley, Seratt said the Grand Jury which indicted union representatives on phony kidnapping and other charges was stacked with growers and their friends.

(For a statement by Norman Smith, AWOC director, blaming Secretary of Labor Arthur J. Goldberg for loss of the strikes, see page 4.)

HOULIHAN TALKS

City Councilman John C. Houlihan, COPE-endorsed candidate for mayor, addressed labor council delegates.

He accused Mayor Clifford Rishell of "working on the theory that the ceremonial function is the chief one of the mayor's office."

'DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS'

Houlihan promised that, if elected, he will face up to such issues as loss of businesses and industry by Oakland. Concerning the museum issue, Houlihan charged that Rishell has appointed three different citizens' committees, all of which are "going in different directions."

Eugene Wolfe, COPE-endorsed candidate for the Oakland City Council, and Fredrick T. Sullivan of Printing Specialties 382 and John Andrews of 13th A.D. COPE, endorsed candidates for the South County Junior College board, were introduced.

CLC delegates voted to support Measure A, the \$6 million museum bond issue.

HOSPITAL STRIKES

Ed Collins of Hospital Workers 250 urged union members to write to their assemblymen and members of the Assembly Ways and Means Committee, requesting passage of A.B. 17, to help prevent hospital strikes.

'HARVEST OF SHAME'

The meeting concluded with showing of "Harvest of Shame," the film of last November's CBS television program on migrant agricultural workers.

It's Sweeney, Brown, Kent, Rev. Nichols

Three candidates for the Berkeley City Council and one for the Berkeley Board of Education have been endorsed by the Alameda County AFLCIO Council on Political Education (COPE).

In next Tuesday's election, COPE has recommended election of the following:

City Council — T. J. Kent Jr., incumbent; William T. (Zack) Brown and Wilmont Sweeney.

Board of Education — Rev. Roy Nichols.

If Councilman Kent is re-elected and Brown and Sweeney carried into office by voters, the Berkeley Council will have a majority favorable to labor and community service programs.

At present, Councilman Arthur Harris, Bernice May and Kent comprise a liberal minority. Terms of Mrs. May and Harris do not expire this year.

SEEKS SECOND TERM

Councilman Kent is seeking his second term on the council. He was first elected in 1957. Before that, he was a member of the Berkeley City Planning Commission for seven years.

Kent is chairman of the Department of Regional and City Planning at the University of California.

Brown is treasurer-manager of the Berkeley Cooperative Center Federal Credit Union, the largest federally chartered credit union in Northern California.

He is also a member of the budget panel of the United Bay Area Crusade and a director of the California Consumers Assn., Berkeley Visiting Nurse Assn. and Berkeley High School PTA.

Sweeney is a partner in the law firm of Metoyer, Sweeney & Broussard. Lionel J. Wilson was a member of this firm before his

MORE on page 7

Lodge 1546 to move to new building Saturday

Auto mechanics 1546 will move into its new building at 10260 MacArthur Blvd. this Saturday, April 1.

New telephone number is NEptune 8-6705.

Despite opening of the new building, the special meeting of Tuesday night, April 4, will be held in Hall A of the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St. Principal business will be voting for Grand Lodge officers. Polls will be open from 10 a.m. until the close of the meeting.

Bay Area listed as distressed area; unemployment hits 7.1%

The Bay Area has landed on the U.S. Labor Department's list of distressed areas.

There were 86,300 persons out of work in the six Bay Area counties — Alameda, Contra Costa, Solano, San Francisco, Marin and San Mateo — during February.

This was 7.1 per cent of the labor force.

Throughout the United States, two out of every three major industrial areas have now passed the 6 per cent unemployment level. They have been classified as distressed, or suffering from chronic unemployment.

These now include San Jose, 9.2 per cent; Fresno, 14 per cent, and Stockton, 14 per cent. Ukiah has 18.1 per cent.

There are 101 "distressed" areas in the nation — the highest since the classification has been in use.

The "distressed" tag will give

this area priority in obtaining government contracts.

According to the State Department of Employment, the number unemployed in the Bay Area was the highest since 1950.

At that time, there were 98,400 out of work, or 9.3 per cent of the labor force. In February, 1960, unemployment hit only 5.7 per cent.

The Bay Area is considered one of the "bright spots" in the current recession, as shown by the record number of distressed areas.

Largest job loss, the State Department of Employment said, came in retail trade, with a drop-off from January sales and inventories. Other declines were recorded in manufacturing, construction and agriculture.

There were slight gains in transportation, communications, utilities, finance, service occupations and government.

HOW TO BUY

Insurance on time payment plan

By SIDNEY MARGOLIUS

Labor Consumer Advisor for Labor Journal

Insurance companies are teaming up with banks to sell insurance on monthly payment plans.

Some have been doing this with life insurance for some time. Instead of paying the insurance company, you pay the bank every month.

Now one large insurance company is arranging with banks for monthly payments on the whole package of family insurance — property and sickness insurance, as well as life insurance.

An official of this company says he has "reason to believe families are interested in making such monthly payments part of their overall budgets."

This department hopes the public will be smart this time and refuse to swallow this idea. This is one of the worst ways you can buy insurance. You have to pay the bank an extra finance charge.

For example, one insurance company has arranged for monthly payments through a Detroit bank. The policyholder pays the bank a monthly payment for the insurance plus a finance charge of \$7 for each \$100 of his insurance bill. This is a true per annum rate of 13 per cent.

Thus, for \$250 of insurance you would now pay \$267.50. You would pay \$17.50 more for the privilege of having a bank budget your insurance payments for you instead of managing your own money and budgeting the payments yourself.

THERE'S no point to lumping all your insurance together into one big bill and then, because it's too big to meet at one time, paying through a bank. You can arrange for your life insurance premium to come due one month, other insurance bills a few months later, and so on.

You can even take advantage of certain "bulk" prices on the large life and property insurance policies by opening up a special savings account for insurance and paying into it each month until you accumulate the amount of the premium.

Not only would you save the bank's fee, but your payments into your own account would earn interest while you accumu-

late the amount of the premium.

Actually, in some cases paying for life insurance each month through a bank plan would cost more than paying the insurance company itself on a monthly premium basis, expensive as that is.

ONE company charges \$21.25 per \$1,000 of ordinary life insurance, if you pay the premium annually. If you pay semi-annually, the cost is \$21.67; quarterly, \$22.10; monthly, \$22.32.

But if you pay through a bank at a finance charge of \$7 per \$100, even though the insurance company is giving you the annual rate of \$21.25, the finance charge raises the real cost to you to \$22.74.

This does not hold true in all cases. Some companies may charge more on a monthly basis, or the local banks may charge a lower finance fee. In such cases, monthly payments through a bank, even with a finance charge, may come to less than monthly payments direct to the insurance company.

But it's unnecessary at all to buy life insurance on a monthly basis. If you don't want to use the preferred method of accumulating money in a savings account and paying annually, you still can take advantage of the annual premium rate by splitting up your policy.

INSTEAD of buying one \$8,000 insurance policy, you can buy four \$2,000 policies, and stagger the dates they come due.

The only time this plan may not work to your advantage is if you are buying a large "economy size" policy. Most companies give special discounts on \$10,000 policies, and some even on \$5,000. For example, the same company that charges \$21.25 for \$1,000 of ordinary life insurance, charges only \$19.95 per \$1,000 for \$10,000 policies.

In that case the preferred methods of paying would be:

Accumulate the money for the premium in a savings account set up for that specific purpose, as suggested above.

Pay semi-annually or quarterly.

Semi-annual or quarterly payments would cost more than an annual payment, but generally still will be less than a bank monthly payment plan.

Patronize Our Advertisers!

New "MO"

3101 E. 14th STREET
HAL BRUTON, DICK BRIGGS
NICK DITTO, Organ-Plano Music
Fireplace Lounge • Dancing
DRINKS AT SENSIBLE PRICES

Mary MacKay Patterns



Accent on decoratively stitched and button-trimmed front panel, smart slim dress has boat neckline with flat collar. Cuffed short sleeve, cut-in-one with bodice.

No. 5475 printed pattern is in sizes 12, 14, 16, 18, 20. Bust 32-40". Size 14, bust 34", 3 1/2 yards of 35".

To order, send 65¢ in coins to: East Bay Labor Journal, 472 W. Superior St., Chicago 10, Ill.

For 1st-class mailing, add 10¢ for each pattern. Print name, address with zone, style No. and size.

Bureau warns about directory

The Better Business Bureau of Metropolitan Oakland has alerted its members to mailings by Norman Bowles, doing business as General Classified Directories, Inc., P. O. Box 1033, Berkeley.

Bowles was indicted by a Grand Jury in Los Angeles Dec. 28 involving nine counts of mail fraud.

"Members who have not as yet received one of Bowles' mailings should be alert to possible payment in the mistaken belief it is a renewal of Yellow Pages classified advertising," the BBB warned.

Mailings show an open book, apparently like a telephone book, with the words "look in the 'classified' pages . . . correct sample listing if necessary. We hereby request and approved your proposed listing above to appear in the Greater San Francisco-Oakland Area 1961 business classified directory."

The BBB says it has turned copies of the mailings over to U. S. Post Office inspectors.

BURNETTS
NEW LUCKY'S
2268 TELEGRAPH AVENUE
"For the Best in Italian Food"
COCKTAIL LOUNGE

CALIFORNIA PACIFIC TITLE
INSURANCE COMPANY
15th and Franklin Streets
Telephone GLencourt 1-8300
Oakland 12, California
1184 "A" St. Hayward, California
Telephone JEFFerson 7-8300

ATTEND YOUR CHURCH

ST. JARLATH'S
CATHOLIC CHURCH
Fruitvale & Pleasant Streets
Oakland 2, California

Hayward Kaiser building planned

Kaiser Foundation Health plan will open bids about May 1 on a \$1,500,000 medical office building to serve Hayward, San Leandro and Fremont.

Scheduled for completion next February, the two-story, L-shaped structure will be located at Tennyson Road and Hesperian Boulevard, just off the Nimitz Freeway.

It will replace smaller offices in San Leandro and Hayward—one in a converted residence and the other above a supermarket—which now serve Kaiser's 33,000 subscribers in that area.

New services to be offered include allergy, dermatology, ear, nose and throat care, 24-hour emergency care, pharmacy, laboratory, X-ray and optical laboratory.

Present internal medicine, obstetrics and gynecology, pediatrics, surgery and physical therapy facilities will be provided.

There will be space for the Kaiser-University of California child development study project at the new center.

Other features include a pneumatic tube system for distribution of charges and a six-woman appointment desk.

No such thing as full protection

Colgate-Palmolive Co. has been ordered by the Federal Trade Commission to avoid advertising that Colgate toothpaste gives full protection against tooth decay "by forming a protective shield" around the teeth.

No toothpaste on the market gives complete protection against tooth decay or development of cavities, the FTC ruled.

Colgate-Palmolive asked that the complaint be dismissed on grounds the advertising has been abandoned.

But the FTC said the company did not change its advertising until after the government's formal complaint was issued in November.

Pain killers' claims 'false'

Makers of Anacin, Bufferin, St. Joseph's aspirin, Bayer aspirin and Bayer Aspirin for children have been accused of making false advertising claims by the Federal Trade Commission.

"There is no significant difference in the rate of speed with which these or any other analgesics relieve pain," the FTC said.

The FTC also said claims that Anacin will relax tension or help overcome depression are false.

It said claims that Ecdextrin is an extra-strength pain reliever and anti-depressant and will reduce swellings and relieve tension are false.

Ecdextrin is made by the same company which manufactures Bufferin.

WESTERN TITLE GUARANTY COMPANY

Courteous, Dependable Service
In business continuously since 1861
1510 Webster St., Oakland, Calif.
Hayward Office:
1165 "A" Street, JEFFerson 7-1165

OAKLAND FLORAL DEPOT

Member of Gardeners, Florists and Nurseryman's Local No. 1206
1900 TELEGRAPH AVENUE
OAKLAND
Phone TEMplebar 2-9262

To the Ladies: FROM the EDITOR

RONALD CAMERON, a young assemblyman from Whittier, introduced the Alameda County Building Trades Council's bill to create a California Mortgage Authority — to ease the tight money squeeze on home construction.

He is also the author of several bills to curb health insurance abuses.

They would:

- Make it illegal for health plans in California to pay out in benefits less than half of what they take in as premiums.

- Provide for conversion to individual insurance when a member leaves a group plan.

- Force hospitals to file normal fee lists with the State Department of Public Health.

DOCTORS and hospitals—for the most part — operate for the public good.

But the health of our citizens is the concern of the entire state.

The medical lobbyists and politicians of the California Medical Assn., Cameron and many others feel, sometimes lose sight of this goal in their phobia against what they have labeled "socialized medicine."

Cameron feels there is little hope for any effective controls on health insurance and other medical costs and abuses unless the labor movement gets behind them.

CAMERON told the Community Services Department of the Los Angeles Labor Federation recently that some doctors will tell about abuses off the record, but they won't testify at legislative hearings.

Mum's the word for hospitals, too, Cameron said.

Since 1945, a law passed under pressure of the medical lobby has classified all hospital records as privileged, or secret.

This makes it impossible for the Legislature, or anyone else, to make a comparative study of actual hospital costs. In some cases, Cameron indicated, hospital fees vary according to the amount of health insurance a person has.

Cameron pointed out that hospitals get 40 per cent of their financing from the federal government, 40 per cent from state government, and 20 per cent from gifts, private subscription or other sources.

IF HEALTH isn't everybody's business, this certainly makes hospitals everybody's business.

To repeat — the situation is not all black and white. But it's the labor movement's job to fight the medical politicians and make good health something everybody can afford.

That's NOT socialized medicine!

EAST BAY LABOR JOURNAL

Owned and Published every Friday by Central Labor and Building and Construction Trades Councils of Alameda County.

1622 E. 12th STREET, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

Job Printing ANdover 1-3988
Business Office ANdover 1-3988
Editor ANdover 1-3988
Advertising ANdover 1-3988
ANdover 1-3988

Entered as Second-class Matter, Nov. 3, 1923 at the Postoffice of Oakland, California, under the Act of March 3, 1879.

Subscription Rates—One year \$3.00; Single Copies 5 cents. Special Rates to Unions Subscribing in a Body.

LABOR PAPER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL — Robert S. Ash, Douglas Geldert, Leslie Moore, Ed Rieth, DeWitt "Bud" Williams.

BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL — J. L. Childers, William Webb, Lloyd Child, J. R. Kurt, C. R. Bartalini.

JOE W. CHAUDET, General Manager

PAUL S. WILLIAMS, Editor

WILLIAM B. MOLLIN, Advertising Manager

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
ROBERT S. ASH, LLOYD CHILD

TAX SERVICE

The Income Tax Man

LOUIS L. ROSSI

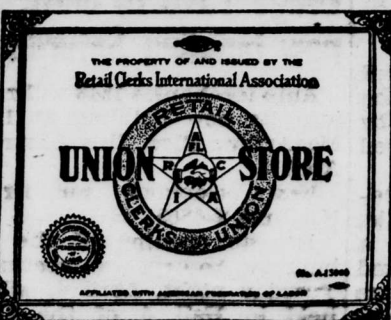
2315 Valdez Street

TW. 3-8280

BOOST THE LABEL!

BUY UNION LABEL PRODUCTS ONLY

When making purchases, always ask for the union label. If building a home or repairing one, see that the men doing the plumbing or steamfitting work, painting, etc., belong to the union. Ask to see their Card. Boost the union emblem and help yourself. Patronize and demand the following union cards:



Office Employees 29 wins 21-cent raises in laundry, cleaning industry

Members of Office Employees 29 employed in the laundry and dry cleaning industry in Alameda County will receive 12 cent hourly raises effective April 1, 1961, and an additional nine cents April 1, 1962.

A new two-year agreement, which also provides for a \$2.09 additional monthly employer contribution to a union welfare plan, has been approved by both Local 29 and representatives of 15 employers.

John Kinnick, business representative for Local 29, said the agreement is the local's first major industry wide settlement of 1960. It benefits about 70 members of the union.

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR CONSTRUCTION CARPENTERS

Statement IV reflecting activity in the 4th quarter of 1960 will be issued to all carpenters within the 46 Northern Counties of California. All Carpenters disagreeing with the reflection of hours shown in Statement IV are urged to follow the usual procedure with their Business Agents relative to the correction of erroneous Social Security numbers or omissions on the part of their employers.

Disbursement of all 1960 vacation accruals will be effected on or about April 30, 1961.

CHARLES ROE, Trustee
Carpenters Vacation
Trust Fund

Piggyback issue back, with \$5 tax, Brink says

Latest twist in the Teamster campaign against "piggyback" hauling by railroads is a demand for \$5 per vehicle tax on new automobiles shipped this way.

Pointing out that "piggyback" takes traffic off highways, Brink urged AFLCIO unionists in a report to the Central Labor Council to write their legislators, urging that no such tax be adopted in California.

DeWayne (Bud) Williams of Auto Mechanics 1546 complained that a decline in transportation of new cars by truck would hurt some members of the AFLCIO Machinists, who work on the trucks.

Patronize Our Advertisers!

Rules vote doesn't guarantee passage of Kennedy program

The razor-thin vote to enlarge the House Rules Committee does not guarantee passage of President John F. Kennedy's liberal program.

This warning was received recently by the Alameda County Central Labor Council and other central bodies throughout the United States from Andrew J. Biemiller, director of the AFL-CIO Department of Legislation.

The vote to change the Rules Committee only guarantees that most Administration bills will reach the House floor, Biemiller said.

"It clearly shows that it will take a tough fight to pass each

one of the controversial Kennedy bills.

"Some of the 217 'yea' votes yesterday were votes in support of Speaker Rayburn and do not reflect a consistent liberal outlook."

The vote was 217 to 212.

Biemiller added:

"This obviously means that, if we are to win our legislative battles, we must find more votes."

Alameda County's congressmen, Jeffery Cohelan and George P. Miller, voted in favor of enlarging the Rules Committee, the position supported by the AFLCIO.

Daily Interest Plan!

The most liberal method of computing bank interest on savings

1 EFFECTIVE APRIL 1—*Daily interest begins the day you make a savings deposit!* You can withdraw any amount and earn interest up to the date you withdraw, providing your account remains open.

2 NOW! *Your interest is compounded and paid quarterly, including the first 3 months of 1961!* We will credit interest to all savings accounts as of March 31 and will continue to credit quarterly interest on the last business day of June, September and December—at the maximum bank rate,

3 NOW! *Deposits made by the 10th earn interest from the 1st—every month!* This means greater flexibility in your savings program. Withdrawals may be made the last 3 days of any quarter without loss of interest.

Our new 3-Point Daily Interest Plan can make your dollars earn more. Our Automatic Savings Plan can help you save more. Just see the teller or the manager at your nearest Wells Fargo American Trust banking office. See how easy it is to make your savings grow faster.

Don't delay! Start saving today!

WELLS FARGO
BANK

18 52

AMERICAN
TRUST
COMPANY

Over 120 Banking Offices Serving Northern California

MEMBER FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

EAST BAY LABOR JOURNAL, FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 1961

3

Local 444 suing EBMUD in dues deduction dispute

Superior Judge Lewis Lecara has ordered officials of the East Bay Municipal Utility District to show cause at a hearing April 12 why they should not grant EBMUD Local 444 dues checkoff and use of bulletin boards.

The union filed a request for a writ of mandate this Monday, according to C. Charles Hogan, international representative for the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFLCIO).

The union's case is based on one involving school employees in Compton, Calif.

An employees' association was granted dues checkoff and use of bulletin boards, but the union was denied these rights. A court order forced school authorities to grant equal rights to the union.

According to Hogan, a similar situation exists here. He said EBMUD has granted dues checkoff and bulletin board rights to the EBMUD Employees' Assn.

The municipal utility district was placed on the Central Labor Council's unfair list last week at the request of Local 444.

The labor council appointed a committee to help settle the dispute, including Robert S. Ash, executive secretary; F. V. Stambaugh of Carmen's 192 and Ed Logue of Machinists 284.

Smith blames Goldberg for failure of organizing drive in Imperial Valley

Norman Smith, California director of the AFLCIO Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee, has blamed Secretary of Labor Arthur J. Goldberg for forcing the end of strikes against 21 Imperial Valley growers.

In a joint statement with Clive Knowles, international representative for the AFLCIO Packinghouse Workers, Smith said:

"The strikes were broken because of Secretary of Labor Goldberg's refusal for many weeks to remove Braceros being used as strikebreakers."

Smith and Knowles praised the Mexican government for its "forthright stand in opposition to use of Braceros as strikebreakers." They said picketing would not be continued this season in Imperial Valley. It was halted by an injunction.

The drive to extend union benefits to farm workers will continue, however, in other areas of the state.

Probable next target: the San Joaquin asparagus crop.

Brown names union man

Governor Edmund G. Brown has announced the appointment of Benjamin N. Scott, 43, of San Pedro, to the State Board of Education.

Scott is secretary-treasurer of Retail Clerks 905, Los Angeles.

NLRB complaint accuses Titan Metals of unfair labor practice

An unfair labor practice action by the National Labor Relations Board is pending against Titan Metal Manufacturing Co., Newark, scene of a bitter strike by Steelworkers 5469.

The NLRB complaint is the result of a lengthy investigation by staff officers. It accuses Titan of engaging in unfair labor practices when it fired six union members, changing an economic strike into a union busting attempt.

If the complaint is upheld by an NLRB trial examiner at a hearing April 17, Titan will have to reinstate a number of fired employees and give others already returned jobs and seniority equal to those they had before the strike.

Irwin Leff, one of the union's attorneys, pointed out that the NLRB complaint was issued after an investigation lasting between four and six weeks.

Titan, Leff added, fired the six men on allegations of violence. He pointed out that the NLRB order implied that the government agency found no evidence of union violence.

The complaint accuses Titan of refusing to bargain collectively during the strike, which lasted four months. Most of the workers returned last month, pending settlement of the issues. Newark police were severely

criticized by the Steelworkers Legislative Education Committee at a recent meeting held in that city.

The committee accused police officers of herding strikebreakers through Steelworkers' picket lines. It said this action was supported by the Newark City Council.

Unanimous action to protest both police and council behavior was taken by the Steelworkers' committee.

Kenneth M. Steadman, committee coordinator, pointed out that the Alameda County Superior Court had found the union innocent of any violence. He added that one picket had his foot run over by a strikebreaker.

This, Steadman further pointed out, was directly at variance with a statement attributed to Police Chief Chambers that the union used "imported goons."

"We don't intend to let this thing rest," Steadman said in a report to the Central Labor Council this month.

The Newark Council replied to Steadman's charges with a five page letter. The union answered this, objecting particularly to the Newark Council's attack upon Steadman as a member of the City Council of neighboring Fremont.

Local 5649 said the Newark Council was engaging in "an obvious personal vendetta against one man to divert attention from the real issue by a vindictive hate campaign."

The reply noted that the Central Labor Council has also protested the Newark police actions.

Newspaper unions to hold party for Portland Reporter

Union members throughout Northern California are invited to a party in San Francisco, Saturday night, April 15, sponsored by newspaper industry unions.

Purpose of the event is to rally support for Portland locals of these unions and the Portland Daily Reporter.

The Portland Daily Reporter is a complete newspaper established with support of organized labor in Portland. It competes with non-union dailies against which newspaper unions have been on strike for the past eighteen months.

Rene Valentine, international representative of the Typographical Union and strike director in Portland, will be present with other Portland spokesmen to tell the Portland story. Following their addresses there will be an evening of entertainment and dancing.

The affair will be held starting at 8 p.m. in the Phoenix Room of the Furniture Mart at 1355 Market Street, San Francisco. There will be no charge for admission to union members and their families. Free tickets may be obtained from the sponsoring unions.

Joint sponsors of the Portland party are San Francisco Typographical Union, Local 21; Oakland Typographical Union, Local 36; Stereotypers and Electrotypers Union, Local 29; Mailers Union, Local 18; Photo-Engravers Union, Local 8; San Francisco-Oakland Newspaper Guild, Local 52.

Puppet theater to offer new show this Saturday

The Children's Fairyland Puppet Theater, sponsored by Milk Drivers 302, will present "The Little Red Hen" starting this Saturday, April 1. Presentations will be at 11 a.m. and 2 and 4 p.m.

On Saturday, Connie Bowen, who plays the title role in the tape recording used in the show, will make personal appearances at 11:30 and 2:30.

Cross ousted from BCW presidency pending trial

James G. Cross, president and Peter H. Olsen, secretary-treasurer, of the Bakery and Confectionery Workers International Union, were suspended by the BCW executive board March 25 pending a union trial on taking union funds.

Shoe's on other foot!

A Japanese copper mining union official, visiting in Oakland recently, pulled a reverse switch on Robert S. Ash, executive secretary of the Central Labor Council.

Wages are low in Japanese copper mines, he said, because they can't meet the competition of copper imported from the United States.

Clean, White NEWSPRINT

It comes in rolls 16½ and 33 inches wide, sells for .06c per lb. (Average roll, 130 ft. long, 35c) In lots of 100 lbs., .04c per lb.

East Bay Labor Journal
1622 E. 12th STREET, OAKLAND
Phone ANdover 1-3980



"EBMUD GIVES COFFEE A BREAK!"

Moraga's Jim McCabe is a professional coffee taster. According to Jim, EBMUD water is a coffee lover's best friend.

"Good water makes good coffee," Jim says, "and EBMUD water is outstanding. It's extremely pure, and there's almost no mineral content. That's why coffee tastes noticeably better here than in many other parts of the country."

Thanks, Jim. Incidentally, the same holds true for tea, soup, and frozen juices. Have you noticed? Anything you mix with pure, soft EBMUD mountain water always tastes its very best.



EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT

water . . . at your service

BERKELEY CITY ELECTION

PAID POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT

PAID POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT

VOTE for CAROL SIBLEY FOR BERKELEY SCHOOL DIRECTOR

Constructive Public Service:

YWCA advisory board; PTA honorary life member; Berkeley Mayor's Committee on Children and Youth Council of Social Welfare Youth Volunteer Program.

FOR BETTER EDUCATION IN A FREE SOCIETY

OFFICIAL UNION NOTICES

AUTOMOTIVE MACHINISTS 1546

The regular meetings of Lodge No. 1546 are held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at the hour of 8 p.m. in the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland.

The meeting hall will be posted on the Bulletin Board in the Lobby.

April 4, 1961, will be a special called meeting of Lodge No. 1546 held at the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland. The hall will be posted on the bulletin board in the lobby.

This meeting is for the election of all Grand Lodge officers, Delegates to the AFLCIO, Canadian Labor Congress and members of the Committee on Law.

Absentee ballots may be mailed to members who reside in outlying districts more than 25 miles from the lodge room and to members who are ill and confined under doctor's orders also temporarily absent from city.

Members who desire, and are eligible for, an absentee ballot must send their request for same in writing to the recording secretary at least ten days prior to date of election.

Only those absentee ballots will be counted that are returned in a sealed envelope marked "ballot" prior to the closing of the polls.

Fraternally yours,
A. J. HAYES,
Recording Secretary

CARPENTERS 1473

Meets first and third Friday of each month at the Eagles Hall, 1228 36th Ave., Oakland, at 8 p.m.

Fraternally yours,
J. W. KIRKMAN,
Recording Secretary

UNITED STEELWORKERS 4468

Regular meetings held 2nd Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at Eagles Hall, 1228 36th Avenue, Oakland.

Fraternally,
FRANK V. MCINTOSH,
Recording Secretary

HAYWARD CULINARY 823

All three meetings of this union will be held on the third Tuesday of the month, the first at 9:30 a.m., the second at 2:30 p.m., and the third at 8:00 p.m. at the union headquarters.

The next regular meeting will be held April 18, 1961.

Anyone interested in joining a Local 823 bowling team please register at the union office.

JOSEPH MEDEIROS,
President
LEROY V. WOODS,
Secretary-Treasurer

HAYWARD PAINTERS 1178

A regular meeting is dated for Friday, April 7. At that meeting we will honor Bro. Thomas Silva, a member of our local whose graining panel won second place at the recent Panel Contest and who received a 100 per cent grade in passing his journeyman's test. For this record he will be presented with a token that he will appreciate and enjoy for many years to come.

Ed Smilovich, instructor at the Hayward Apprentice School, will present the token.

Fraternally yours,
ROBERT S. MILLER,
Recording Secretary

UC EMPLOYEES 371

The next regular meeting will be held at Colombo Hall on April 8, 1961. The Executive Board will meet at 1 p.m. The regular meeting will be called to order at 2 p.m. We are looking forward to seeing all members present.

Fraternally yours,
A. ROBERTSON,
Secretary

PAINT MAKERS 1101

Meets on third Tuesday of each month at 8 p.m. in Hall C of the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland.

Are your dues paid?

Nominations for delegates to the Western Joint Council Conference will be held at the April 18 meeting with elections at the May 16 meeting.

Fraternally,
ED MORGAN,
Recording Secretary

STEEL MACHINISTS 1304

Special called meeting Thursday, April 6, at 8 p.m. The question of Local 1304 reaffiliating with the Steelworkers L. and E. Committee has been placed on the agenda for 9 p.m.

Also at the meeting will be nominations for two delegates to the Legislative Conference in Sacramento April 30 to May 5.

Executive Board meets at 6:30.

This Saturday at 10:30 a.m. we will have a meeting of all interested participants in the Blood Bank program to elect officers and formulate a future program. Don't miss this meeting as it is of vital importance: Saturday, April 1st, at 10:30 a.m. Applications and money will be accepted at this time but this is definitely the deadline.

Fraternally,
JOHN L. GIFFIN,
Recording Secretary

BAKERY WAGON DRIVERS 432

Notice of nomination and election of delegates to special convention of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers of America to be held at Miami Beach, Fla., starting July 3, 1961, for the purpose of electing a General President, General Secretary-Treasurer, Vice-Presidents and Trustees of the International Union (for a term of five (5) years from the date of election at the convention, if the convention by two-thirds of the delegates, present and voting, establishes such five (5) year term to commence at this convention by amendment to Article III, Section 1); to consider amendments to the International Constitution; and to transact such other business as the convention may determine.

This local union is entitled to one delegate. The number of alternates will be determined at the nomination meeting.

Nomination meeting Tuesday, April 11, 1961, 8 p.m., Hall M, 3rd Floor, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland 12 Calif.

Election Tuesday, May 16, 1961, 8 p.m., Hall M, 3rd Floor, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland 12, Calif.

The members, at the nominating meeting, will also decide, by a majority vote, whether they wish to have their election of delegates supervised by an outside agency and, if so, by what agency and to what extent. The General Executive Board of the International Union recommends that, where practicable, there shall be such supervision. Cost of such supervision is to be borne by the local union.

Nomination and election rules are available at the union office on request.

Fraternally,
LES BENHAM,
Secretary-Treasurer,
Business Representative

CO. SCHOOL EMPLOYEES 257

The next regular meeting will be held April 1, 1961, at 1918 Grove Street, Oakland, California at 2 p.m.

The Executive Board will meet at 10:30 a.m.

Fraternally,
VICTOR BARTELS,
Secretary

HAYWARD CARPENTERS 1622

Unless otherwise specified, regular meetings will be held each Friday at 8 p.m. at the Labor Temple, 1050 Mattox Rd.

Fraternally yours,
MARIUS WALDAL,
Recording Secretary

ALAMEDA CARPENTERS 194

Carpenters Local 194 will meet on the first and third Monday of each month at 8 p.m. in the Veterans Memorial Building at Walnut and Central in Alameda.

Fraternally,
J. W. NIXON,
Recording Secretary

CARPENTERS 36

Unless otherwise specified, regular meetings will be held each Friday at 8 p.m. at Carpenters Hall, 761 12th St., Oakland, Calif.

The meeting of Friday, March 31, 1961, has been postponed, as it is Good Friday.

Our next meeting will be a continued special called meeting Friday at 8 p.m., April 7, 1961, in which we will continue voting on the proposed by-laws of Local Union 36. Please be in attendance as our last meeting has been recessed so that we can continue this special called business of voting on these proposed by-laws.

We expect to continue the drive for children's, women's and men's clothes for the agricultural workers of California for about one month and want to thank you for your participation. Bring your clothing to the Union Hall at the business agent's office.

Fraternally yours,
OSCAR N. ANDERSON
Recording Secretary

AUTO & SHIP PAINTERS 1176

The next regular meeting will be held April 4 in Hall D of the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., at 8 p.m.

The meeting of April 4 will be a special meeting for the purpose of a thorough examination of the shipyard pension plan.

Fraternally yours,
LESLIE K. MOORE,
Business Representative

STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 342

Our next membership meeting to be held on Thursday, April 6, 1961, will be a special called meeting for the purpose of taking action on resolutions previously presented.

Fraternally,
JAMES MARTIN,
Fin. Sec'y. Bus. Mgr.

Cohelan testifies for Point Reyes legislation

Rep. Jeffery Cohelan, Alameda County Democrat, was among those testifying before the House Committee on Interior Affairs in support of legislation to establish a national seashore area at Point Reyes.

Cohelan supported a bill which he introduced in the House with Congressman Clem Miller. The Senate bill is sponsored by Senators Clair Engle and Thomas H. Kuchel.

'Turn it over' Longaker tells Western Electric

Western Electric Co. has been ordered by Deputy State Labor Commissioner Dan Longaker to turn over to Communications Workers 9490 about \$10,000 in union dues which was deducted from members' paychecks.

The company withheld the dues during a current contract dispute.

Building Service Employees 18 turns down offer

Members of Building Service Employees 18 employed by maintenance contractors in Alameda, Contra Costa and Solano counties are sticking to their demands for 22-cent raises and five days of sick leave.

They turned down the latest employer offer at a union meeting last Friday night.

Employers offered a two year contract, with raises of eight cents an hour April 1, 1961, and eight cents an hour April 1, 1962, and five days of sick leave.

Union members want 10 cents and the sick leave now and 12 cents next year, or 12 cents now and 10 cents and sick leave next year.

In February, union members turned down a proposed three-year contract, with eight cent raises each year.

The present contract expires this Saturday, April 1. Local 18's Executive Committee and officers have full power to act.

If no further employer offer is forthcoming, they will ask the Central Labor Council for strike sanction, according to W. Douglas Geldert, business representative.

Negotiation affect about 42 firms, employing approximately 900 union members.

Teamster election wheels turning in county locals

Election machinery in Alameda County Teamster locals spun into action this week with a federal court order requiring nominations for convention delegates to be completed by April 16.

The court order authorized the Teamster convention, which will start July 3 in Miami Beach. Election of delegates must be held by May 2 and credentials forwarded to the international union by June 2.

James R. Hoffa, provisional president, is expected to seek reelection.

Patronize Our Advertisers!

Steamfitters No. 342 Credit Union

2451 CHURCH LANE
SAN PABLO, CALIF.
BE. 3-4316

Office Hours:
10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.
Monday thru Friday
Evenings by Appointment Only.

Berkeley Gazette Distributing and Mail Service

Complete Coverage Central and Northern California . . . 100% Union

1940 BONITA AVENUE, BERKELEY
THORNWALL 1-4562

4 1/2% INTEREST

COMPOUNDED
QUARTERLY

ON SAVINGS INVESTED IN
CREDIT UNION CERTIFICATES

Deposits Made by the 10th Earn Interest From the 1st

Carpenters Credit Union

Paul Hudgins, Treasurer

Kellog 3-3889
2253 East 19th Street
Oakland 6, California

OFFICE HOURS:

TUES. thru SAT.
closed Sunday-Monday
except by appointment

Big bill? Get a Timeplan loan!



BANK OF AMERICA

NATIONAL TRUST AND SAVINGS ASSOCIATION - MEMBER FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

Hayward Painters 1178

By WILEY H. MOUNTJOY

Not much to talk about this week — because took last week off for a vacation.

Vacation? Spent it all moving into different house, and doing the usual necessary repainting! It's a good thing no one reported this to the business representatives — (or rather, wish someone had, would have put the BR to work).

Wish to thank Bro. Don Ades for substituting in the office, and doing his usual fine job — and to the members for cooperating.

And glad to hear you all behaved yourselves.

One Memo: To delinquent members who have not been working — contact the office in the next day or two.

Bueno!

Sheet Metal Snips

By AL ARELLANO

With Easter coming up and people dressing in their best attending the church of their faith, and then later the children going on their usual Easter egg hunt, one sometimes wonders where the word "Easter" and its accompanying colored eggs and chocolate bunnies came from.

The word "Easter" goes back pagan times when people celebrated Winter's end and the beginning of Spring. The Spring goddess was named Eostre and that word became Easter.

Emperor Constantine started the custom of new clothes when he ordered that every member of his court appear on Easter morn in new attire in honor of the newly risen Lord. Since then it is only natural that everyone obtains for himself a new outfit for Easter.

Everyone knows that the egg has always represented the creation of life. The Egyptians used the egg to symbolize the universe and soon the egg, either decorated or plain, came to be given as tokens of good wishes for long life and good fortune.

Eggs are now stained bright to symbolize the blood of Christ, and it became customary for priests to bless these eggs which were sometimes used to break the Lenten fast. Friends began to exchange the colored eggs as tokens of life everlasting.

The hunt for eggs started from

a story about a Christian noblewoman who had to flee to the forest. When the woman saw how the mountain folk were so poorly dressed but yet so happy, she felt she must do something for them, so she sent one of her servants for some eggs and she covered them with gay colors. She then got the small children to go into the forest and make nests, with instructions to put a marker so they would remember where they were. During the night she hid the eggs in these nests and in the morning when the children found the eggs they were filled with wonderment, and then because a rabbit was seen nearby they associated the two, and to this day eggs are left by bunnies.

Steel Machinists 1304

By DAVE ARCA

You, who declined our offer, apparently feel you won't need blood for your family. Fine. We sincerely hope NO ONE will need the blood our plan will provide. But, if anyone should, then we hope he had the foresight to protect his family under our plan.

Don't forget the meeting of Blood Bank members to elect an Administrative Committee. It's Saturday, April 1, 1961. Despite the date, this is no April fool joke. See you Saturday.

Carpenters Credit Union

By PAUL HUGGINS, Treasurer

Now is the time to transfer your funds to your credit union. Get the money in by the 10th, and it will earn interest from the 1st.

Get a full quarter's interest on funds invested in certificates. The interest will be compounded quarterly. Your first three months' interest will be added on June 30.

On share deposits made by the 10th, you will get dividend credit from April 1, for dividends at the end of the calendar year.

Life insurance is an additional dividend you get immediately, matching your investment in shares. You are insurable if you are under 70 and able to work. The insurance continues payable for death at any age, from any cause, no restrictions.

Put your money in your own financial cooperative. It's safer

DEADLINE NOON MONDAY

Deadline for union meeting notices and columns for the April 7 issue is noon Monday, April 3.

and will give you triple returns, better dividends or interest, plus life insurance, plus security of knowing you have a good source of low cost credit available to you. Limited to union carpenters and members of their families.

Watchmakers Local 101

By GEORGE F. ALLEN

The past week we had occasion to visit Manor Jewelry in the San Lorenzo Manor Shopping Center. The owner had been giving a \$5.50 cleaning job with a coupon cut out of a throwaway weekly advertising sheet. One good thing in the ad was that he did say automatic watches were slightly higher.

After a visit from the union, the store owner agreed not to use this type of ad any more.

San Jose meeting Tuesday, April 4, 1961, 8 p.m., at the Labor Temple, 45 Santa Teresa St., San Jose.

'Americans at Work' shown by 170 stations

"Americans at Work," produced by the AFL-CIO as a public service, is now shown by more than 170 television stations, according to a letter received by the Central Labor Council.

There are now 104 completed productions in the series, telling how members of various AFL-CIO unions contribute to the American economy.

In the Bay Area, the series is seen on KQED at 6 p.m. Tuesdays; KTVU at 10 a.m. Saturdays, and KNTV at 12:15 Sundays.

No comment department

On Tuesday, March 21, the State Public Utilities Commission granted the Pacific Gas & Electric Co. rate increases averaging 34 cents per month for residential customers. PG&E had asked for 90-cent increases.

On Wednesday, March 22, PG&E raised the quarterly dividend on common stock by five cents a share — to 70 cents a quarter.

ANC bills

Arthur R. Hellender, assistant secretary of the Central Labor Council, told CLC delegates he appeared before the State Senate and Assembly Social Welfare Committees to testify against bills which would weaken the Aid to Needy Children Program.

Hellender said there are several such bills which have been introduced during the current session of the Legislature.

New delegate

Glenn Martin, copy desk man on the Oakland Tribune, was seated as a new delegate to the Central Labor Council Monday, March 20.

BERKELEY CITY ELECTION

PAID POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT

For Constructive Leadership We Support

ROY NICHOLS

FOR SCHOOL BOARD

Eugene Blandin Leo Brown
Hon. Jeffery Cohelan William Finn
Hon. W. B. Rumford Mrs. Jack Kent
Bernice Hubbard May Eugene Burdick

Superior Schools for
A Superior City



Steamfitters Local 342

By JIM MARTIN

The Seventh Annual Legislative Conference, held recently in the nation's capital, was well attended by Building Trades crafts representatives.

The purpose of these conferences is to lobby the Building and Construction Trades Department legislative program, which is headed by President Neil Haggerty of the department, by calling upon congressmen and senators, explaining the need for such legislation and how it affects union members, their families and the community as a whole.

Two of the most important legislative changes sought in this 10-point program are revisions in the Davis-Bacon Act, whereby fringe payments would be included in predeterminations of federal projects, and picketing denials of Building Tradesmen picketing rights allowed other workers. Ever since the Denver Building Trades rule was established by a decision of the Supreme Court, the Building and Construction Trades Department has been attempting to secure legislative relief from this rule. All that unions are asking is that union men not be compelled to work on the same job with non-union men.

The principal speaker at this conference was George Meany, president of AFL-CIO, who touched on the tie between wages, prices and exports, the problem of unemployment and the prospect of recovery from the slump this summer that would still leave between six and seven per cent jobless, and the question of unemployment in steel, coal, autos and airplanes, which, he said, stemmed from changes on demand as well as changes in production techniques. Other speakers at the conference included Secretary of Labor Arthur Goldberg, Congressman Fogarty and Senators Wayne Morse of Oregon and Thomas Kuchel of California, whose addresses were well received.

The United Association local unions represented one of the largest delegations at the conference. Representation from Northern California included Local Union No. 447 of Sacramento, Local Union No. 38 of San Francisco, Local Union No. 467 of San Mateo, Local Union No. 393 of San Jose, Local Union No. 444 of Oakland and our local union, represented by Brother Lou Kovacevich and the writer.

At a luncheon, sponsored by the general office of the United Association and attended by 350 United Association delegates, President Schoemann explained the general president's maintenance agreement. Note: It is similar to our Fluor Maintenance Agreement, which, in his opinion, would be helpful in obtaining maintenance work in the oil refineries, etc. He also touched on the missile program and the part the United Association is playing, as 50 per cent of the work involved is piping. He urged that, in connection with

the missile sites, local unions refrain from taking any economic action until the general officers of the United Association had an opportunity to review same. Finally, he stressed the importance of our members reading his report in the United Association Journal and that when members are requested to write to their congressmen and United States senators in connection with legislation to be acted upon, to do so immediately. It counts even if you pen only a few short lines.

Space does not allow additional information pertaining to the conference; so why not attend our next membership meeting to be held April 6th and receive a first hand report?

Regarding employment — Bechtel Company at Standard Oil has been hiring a few by name. It is also rumored that another contract is to be awarded shortly at Standard Oil. C. F. Braun project at Shell Oil in Martinez has a very small crew, less than 12 men. The shutdown at Associated Oil Refinery is scheduled to begin the first week in April, a 15-day shutdown, possibly longer, depending on a look after the unit comes down.

Chips and Chatter

By AL THOMAS

First, to clear up one item from last week, the Bay Counties are the only ones who will not pay a service charge of two dollars on their vacation fund. The Forty-two Counties will still have the charge on their accounts.

The list is up 17 this week after roll call; so we are about even with the first of the month.

The meeting on the by-laws is on again Friday, April 7th. We are just getting to the interesting part. Now is the time for men to come to their union meeting.

There will be no meeting Good Friday, March 31st. The office will be open to collect dues, etc., until 8:30, as Ernie always does at such times.

Patronize Our Advertisers!

BERKELEY CITY ELECTION

PAID POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT

FOR
Berkeley City Council

ELECT

Incumbent T. J. Kent, Jr.
Wm. T. "Zack" Brown
Wilmont Sweeney

VOTE APRIL 4
for the THREE who are
BEST for BERKELEY

Endorsed by AFL-CIO (COPE)

Congressman Jeffery Cohelan
Assemblyman W. B. Rumford
Bernice Hubbard May
Mr. & Mrs. Sam Eubanks
plus hundreds of your
friends and neighbors

OAKLAND CITY ELECTION

— Be Sure to Vote!

PAID POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT

PAID POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT

ENDORSED BY COPE

Alameda County Council on Political Education—AFL-CIO



OAKLAND NEEDS
AGGRESSIVE
INTELLIGENT
LEADERSHIP!

for

MORE INDUSTRY
NEW PAYROLLS
FULL EMPLOYMENT

VOTE APRIL 18

COUNCILMAN JOHN C.

HOULIHAN
for MAYOR

BUCHANAN'S
CLUB HIGHLAND
NOW OPEN AT
1326 E. 18th Street
Jess and Bill
Across from Safeway
Between 13th and 14th Aves.

COPE backs Houlihan in Oakland race

Continued from page 1

president of the Oakland Municipal Civil Service Employees Assn.

Both Dr. Nolan and Wildman have been active in parent organizations and in groups seeking better schools.

Huff was appointed city auditor-controller in June, 1958, to succeed the late David V. Rosen. Huff was elected to the remainder of Rosen's unexpired term in 1959 and now seeks reelection to a full four-year term.

QUESTIONS ASKED

Robert S. Ash, COPE and Central Labor Council executive secretary, pointed out that candidates were endorsed strictly on a non-partisan basis.

Ash said endorsements were made on the basis of answers to prepared questions at all-day screening sessions by the COPE Executive Board.

The questions, Ash said, were deliberately general to find out how much the candidates knew about vital issues.

It was surprising how little some of the candidates knew about these issues, according to Ash.

City Council candidates were asked, among other things, their position on: unions for city employees, payroll taxes, the proposed Golden Gate Authority, appointment of labor representatives to boards and commissions, urban renewal and redevelopment, election of councilmen by districts, pay raises for city employees and how to bring additional payrolls to Oakland.

Board of Education candidates were asked about vocational training, pay of teachers and other school employees, assignment of teachers of different races, teaching of labor in the schools, and collective bargaining for school employees.

OTHER AREAS

COPE has also endorsed three candidates for the Berkeley City Council in the election next Tuesday, April 4: T. J. Kent Jr., incumbent; William T. (Zack) Brown and Wilmont Sweeney. Roy Nichols has been endorsed by COPE for the Berkeley School Board.

In the South County Junior College District, COPE has endorsed the following for the Board of Governors.

Robert L. Coate, District 3; Ethel L. (Jo) Edwards, District 4; John B. Desmond, District 5; Fredrick T. Sullivan, District 6, and John Andrews, District 7.

Look for the union shop card, ask for a union clerk to serve you, and demand the union label!

CLARENCE N.
COOPER
MORTUARIES

"Built by Personal
Service"

Main Office

FRUITVALE AVE. AT EAST
SIXTEENTH STREET
Telephone KEllog 3-4114

Elmhurst Chapel:

EAST FOURTEENTH ST. AT
EIGHTY-NINTH AVE.
Telephone NEptune 2-4343

Brown, Sweeney, Kent, Nichols have support of COPE

Continued from page 1

appointment by Governor Edmund G. Brown to the municipal court bench.

A veteran of World War II, Sweeney is a graduate of the University of California and Hastings Law College, where he was elected permanent president of his class. He is a member of Men of Tomorrow and chairman of the Legal Redress Committee and member of the Board of Directors of the NAACP.

REV. NICHOLS

The Rev. Mr. Nichols, who ran two years ago for City Council, has been a leading member of the Staats Committee on Inter-Racial Problems and was a member of the Mayor's Committee on Civic Improvements.

He has been chairman of the South Berkeley Community Council, a director of the Berkeley Community Chest and a member of the Governor's Committee on Children and Youth and is an honorary PTA life member.

He has served as a director of the Berkeley Co-op and the NAACP and has been on the advisory board of the University YMCA.

Candidates were endorsed by COPE on the basis of ability and answers they gave to prescribed questions in interviews.

(See editorial on page 8 for comment on endorsements.)

SCHOOL BONDS

Although COPE has taken no action on three school bond issues before Berkeley voters, the Central Labor Council has urged their passage.

They would provide \$3,687,000 needed for high school improvements, \$2,620,000 for junior high schools and \$5,127,000 for elementary schools. Total amount of the bond issues is \$11,434,000.

Pension-labor clubs

Candidates for Oakland and Berkeley city offices will address a joint meeting of the Pension-Labor Democratic Clubs of Alameda County at 6 p.m. March 31 at the True Food Cafeteria, 308 14th St.,

Why not pass this copy of the East Bay Labor Journal to a friend of yours when you are finished reading it!

Q uest

CAN SOCIAL SECURITY
FUNERAL COSTS

A nswere

You—Many families are unaware of the extent to which they may benefit under Social Security—\$255 for funeral expenses. What are these benefits? and where do you obtain them? The answers to these and other questions write or call Grant Miller Mortuaries for our new "Guidepack," a comprehensive guide to many little known benefits, including Veterans Funeral Benefits, Social Security, life Insurance and other helpful information. For your "Guidepack" without cost or obligation of any kind, write or telephone today to Grant Miller Mortuaries, 2372 East 14th Street, Oakland, California. KEllog 4-1632.

Printing Specialties 382 members win 7% raises from U.S. Envelope Co.

About 200 members of Printing Specialties 382 at United States Envelope Co. in Emeryville will get raises totalling seven per cent under a new coastwise contract just signed.

John Ferro of Local 382, secretary of the Western Conference of Specialty Unions, said the unions won four per cent raises retroactive to Dec. 1, 1960, three per cent Dec. 1, 1961, four week vacations after 25 years, the day after Thanksgiving as an eighth paid holiday, and the right to hold a special election between present company pension plans and the International Printing Pressmen's retirement plan.

The agreement, negotiated with the Employers Council of San Francisco, affects about 1,000 union members in 10 envelope companies in California, Oregon and Washington.

'Vacations'

Auto Workers at General Motors' Corvair and Fisher Body plants in Oakland have been laid off for Easter week "vacations."

Health plan for Port of Oakland workers tabled--city 'pressure'

Members of the Oakland City Council sabotaged health and welfare coverage for employees of the Oakland Port Authority, a union official charged this week.

Jay Johnson, business representative for East Bay Municipal Employees 390, made the charge as organized labor's efforts to get similar coverage for Oakland city employees picked up speed.

Johnson said Oakland port commissioners voted in favor of paying for a health plan for their employees late last year.

In the meantime, Johnson said, members of the City Council visited port commissioners. As a result, action on the health and welfare plan was tabled.

ABOUT-FACE!

When Local 390 asked for a health and welfare plan last year, the City Council took the position that the matter could not be considered during budget hearings because it was not part of wages, Johnson said.

However, the councilmen asked the Port of Oakland to hold up action on a health and welfare plan because it was a

wage issue and was creating pressure upon the city to institute of similar, according to Johnson.

Johnson pointed out that employees of Alameda and Contra Costa counties; the cities of Hayward, San Leandro, Berkeley, El Cerrito and Richmond, and the San Pablo Sanitary District, all have employer-paid health and welfare coverage.

CLC SUPPORT

Local 390 has been asking for health and welfare coverage for two years.

The Central Labor Council has voted to support efforts of unions involved.

DeWayne (Bud) Williams of Auto Mechanics 1546 has written city councilmen, requesting action soon. Other unions involved include Electricians and Stationary Engineers.

The City Council referred the matter to City Mgr. Wayne E. Thompson March 2, but so far no action has been taken.

Look for the union shop card, ask for a union clerk to serve you, and demand the union label!

AT OAKLAND BANK OF COMMERCE

...INTEREST
BY
THE DAY!

Every day is interest day at Oakland Bank of Commerce.

Your savings start earning the instant they're deposited!

Interest begins the instant you deposit! It's computed on your daily balance as long as your account remains open at the end of the quarter.

10 day bonus period! Deposits received on or before the tenth of any month earn interest from the first.

Interest on savings is paid more often! Accrued interest is paid or compounded quarterly: March 31, June 30, September 30, December 31.

Extra periods of grace. You may withdraw during the last three business days of any quarter without loss of interest on the amount withdrawn.

Every account is insured to \$10,000.
We invite your savings...



16th & San Pablo Avenue • TE 4-5100

MEMBER FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION • MEMBER FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

EAST BAY LABOR JOURNAL, FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 1961

East Bay LABOR JOURNAL



FOUNDED APRIL 3, 1926 . . . Only Official
Publication of Central Labor Council—AFL-
CIO and Building Trades Council of Alameda
County—AFL-CIO.

1622 East Twelfth Street

Phones: ANDover 1-3981, 3982

PAUL S. WILLIAMS, Editor

36th Year, Number 1

March 31, 1961

Why COPE backs Brown, Kent, Sweeney, Nichols

Berkeley voters go to the polls next Tuesday, April 4. The Alameda County AFLCIO Council on Political Education (COPE) has endorsed three candidates for the Berkeley City Council and one for the Berkeley Board of Education.

T. J. Kent Jr., presently a member of the City Council, has supported East Bay Municipal Employees 390 in its efforts to get badly needed pay raises for Berkeley city workers.

On other votes, Kent has showed that he favors the same kind of programs which labor supports.

William T. (Zack) Brown and Wilmont Sweeney are running on a slate with Kent. They have also been endorsed by COPE and should receive the votes of union members and their families. Both are friendly to union goals. Brown is manager of the Berkeley Co-op credit union, largest federal credit union in Northern California and Sweeney is an attorney.

Backers of the slate have urged Berkeleyans to "vote for three only" in the City Council race. There are four seats at stake.

In the school board race, the Rev. Roy Nichols was endorsed by COPE because he exhibited the most complete grasp of the issues, handled himself best and—as one delegate put it—was the "sharpest candidate."

A vote for Kent, Brown, Sweeney and the Rev. Mr. Nichols is certainly a vote for a better Berkeley.

Berkeley's school needs

Berkeley voters have approved two school bond issues in modern history — one in 1919 and one in 1948. A third one is long overdue.

Berkeley High School was built for 2,400 youngsters. It has 3,100 now. When the current junior high school crop hits Berkeley Hi, there will be 3,700.

Of particular interest to trade union families is the fact that the proposed \$3,687,000 high school bond issue includes money for remodeling shop facilities in the Grove street building which are a disgrace.

All three junior high schools need work. Burbank Junior High is especially bad. The two-story wooden shop and music building is a firetrap. Seven portable "shacks" are used for classrooms and have no drinking fountains or toilets. Gym facilities for girls are deplorable.

The \$2,620,000 junior high bond issue would replace these buildings and also provide needed changes at Willard and Garfield schools.

The 14 elementary schools need work, too. Worst are Emerson and Oxford, both over 50 years old and condemned, and Lincoln, which is badly overcrowded.

The \$5,127,000 elementary issue would also provide for modest expansion of some school yards, for one new site for a kindergarten-primary unit in Southwest Berkeley and improvements needed at the 11 other elementary schools.

A 34-member citizens' committee studied Berkeley's school needs for 10 months before recommending the bond issues, which total \$11½ million. They intentionally left \$4 million of other needs for future action.

The bonds would cost the average Berkeleyan with a combined city and county tax bill of \$100 only \$3.93 a year, or about one cent a day. If your combined city and county tax bill is \$200, the bonds would cost you \$7.86 a year, or about two cents a day. It has been estimated that the additional cost to renters who pay \$100 a month should be 60 cents a month.

All three bond issues have been endorsed by the Central Labor Council, NAACP, Young Democrats, Young Republicans, League of Women Voters, Chamber of Commerce, Berkeley Manufacturers Assn. and every candidate for the Board of Education and City Council.

We urge all Berkeleyans to vote for them.

Sears boycott

Labor's boycott against Sears, Roebuck & Co. is still very much on.

As James A. Suffridge, an Oakland boy who made good as president of the AFLCIO Retail Clerks International Assn., said in Berkeley recently, the San Francisco situation is only one of several involving anti-labor tactics by Sears. Until all are cleared up, Sears is still on our (boycott) list — and off our shopping list!

New Skipper



RACIAL DISCRIMINATION IN BUILDING TRADES HIT

Racial discrimination in some building trades unions was strongly criticized by three speakers at the AFLCIO Building and Construction Trades Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C., March 19 and 20.

GEORGE MEANY, AFLCIO president and a former official in the Plumbers Union, said:

"Keep in mind that we need friends . . . and the position of some of our locals and national unions is not helpful. Even if we didn't need friends, we should be against discrimination because it is morally wrong. Anyway, it is a straight fact that it is not good business for trade unions to discriminate against anyone."

ARTHUR J. GOLDBERG, Secretary of Labor, called upon members of building trades unions to use their influence to halt discrimination in construction.

This is "wrong and harmful, whether practiced by a union or by an employer," Goldberg said.

He added:

"The Administration is determined that discrimination will not continue either in the government itself, or within those companies doing business with the government. I call upon you to join wholeheartedly with us in stamping out discriminatory practices on the job, in hiring and in training."

Rep. Adam Clayton Powell, chairman of the House Labor Committee, vigorously protested the "denial of free access to the Negro to engage in crafts and trades."

This, Powell said, "represents a combination in restraint of employment . . . no different, no less ominous than a combination in restraint of trade."

UNEMPLOYMENT — C. J. Haggerty, president of the AFLCIO Building and Construction Trades Department, said unemployment in the construction industry throughout the United States was 23.9 per cent in February.

(Figures released by the Alameda County Building Trades Council in last week's East Bay Labor Journal showed 23 per cent unemployment in the construction industry in this county in March.)

(The BTC made no survey in February.)

Haggerty said unemployment was "far more extensive" than the seasonal average.

He said the February, 1960, rate was 17.9 per cent.

LEGISLATION — AFLCIO President Meany called for

vigorous action in support of labor's legislative program.

Temporary measures are necessary to stop the recession, Meany said, but there is also the "overall problem of keeping America working and economically healthy."

The conference was called to rally support for:

- A site picketing bill.
- Modernization of the Davis-Bacon Act.
- A \$1.25 minimum wage, with broader coverage.
- Medical care for the aged under Social Security.
- Federal aid for school construction and teachers' salaries.
- Depressed area legislation.

Meany reminded delegates that "every piece of progressive social legislation in the past 25 years has had the union label on it."

But he warned that, despite the election of President Kennedy, Congress has less of a liberal look than it did two years ago.

Close votes on modernizing the Rules Committee, on President Kennedy's feed grain bill and on key amendments to the depressed areas and temporary unemployment insurance bills indicate a tough fight ahead for labor's program, Meany said.

SITE PICKETING — Secretary Goldberg pledged that the Administration would recommend to Congress that it correct the unfair situation created by the Taft-Hartley Law concerning building trades picketing on multi-employer sites.

"I am in perfect accord with President Kennedy when I say this is certainly an abridgement of your right to strike," Goldberg said.

Arms race

"The cost of the world arms race is about \$40 a year for each man, woman and child now living," the Associated Press reported the other day. Citing estimates by government experts, the AP figured the United States spends about \$46 billion and Soviet Russia about \$42 billion out of the world total of \$120 billion a year sucked up by the arms race.

"If the world were to pool this money for peaceful purposes . . . adequate housing could be provided for 240 million families in the under-developed nations . . . the hungry among the world's three billion people could be fed, the sick provided with medical care," the AP story noted.

Yet the arms race keeps going, bigger and faster and more frantic every year.—Labor.

OPINIONS

You Write 'Em . . .
We Run 'Em!

STATE EMPLOYEE ORGANIZING DRIVE

Editor, Labor Journal:

Whatever happened to the reported (in the East Bay Labor Journal) reorganization drive by the AFLCIO-CSME. I presume it fizzled and failed to materialize.

The "California State Employee" in editorial cartoons depicts the union's 606 state employee members as a durned nuisance in its drive to remove obstacles to better working conditions. CSEA figures it has 83,000 members as compared to 606 for the union.

Neither the AFL (now AFL-CIO) CSME nor the more recent efforts of Teamster locals to successfully recruit state employees have been very strong to the best of my knowledge and belief. I haven't heard of any strong locals in either union or have I seen or heard any results from alleged or reputed representation in the Legislature from these organizations (AFL-CIO-CSME or other affiliates or Teamsters).

Could it be that they just don't care or have too much opposition, not enough reception, or lack of effort, or why?

CARL O. ARNBERG,
3420 Chestnut St.

Editor's note: We asked O. Charles Hogan, international representative for the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFLCIO) if he wished to answer this letter. Following is Hogan's statement:

"It is obvious that the writer of the letter has been exposed to the most recent CSEA (California State Employees' Assn.) propaganda and I make specific reference to the nominal number of employees alleged to be represented by AFLCIO unions.

"I am sure that a closer check with the State Controller's Office would reveal some enlightening figures pertaining to dues check-off for union members.

The state drive is progressing and most recently a local union was chartered at the California Men's Colony, San Luis Obispo, where the union represents an overwhelming majority of the correctional officers at that facility.

"The intimated figure may very well indicate that this is the number of state employees signing up monthly.

"CSEA has presently launched an all-out campaign against the efforts of organized labor and is even making written suggestions to its top echelon regional directors as to the manner in which they should assume an anti-labor approach.

"We intend to make public this report because it looks to us like a CSEA witch hunt is in the making. We think the CSEA is running scared.

"As to legislation, kindly note the AFLCIO-sponsored collective bargaining bill and other legislative proposals which would be to the advantage of public employees."

2 ISSUES

Editor, Labor Journal:

I wish to commend you for the vigorous, positive stand you take on the negative AFLCIO Executive Council position on union discrimination.

Your refutation of the hysteria and super-patriotism of the HUAC apologists is particularly courageous and praiseworthy, as is the question which so much needed to be asked concerning California's congressman who have been so remiss in this area.

JOE GARCIA,
Member, Teachers 1078